

(2 pages) for this application dated September 1, 2000;

(2) PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (3 pages) in this application signed by the undersigned attorney and bearing a Mailing Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 dated November 1, 2000 and signed by the undersigned attorney;

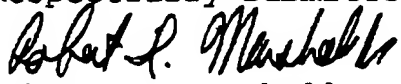
(3) AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM (1 page) in this application including instructions to charge the assignee's deposit account for additional claim fees signed by the undersigned attorney and bearing a Mailing Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 dated November 1, 2000 and signed by the undersigned attorney; and

(4) Postal Reply Card identifying this application by serial number, named inventor, title and attorney docket number (TI-29250) indicating filing of "Amt TL" (Amendment Transmittal Letter), "AMENDMENT Prel" (Preliminary Amendment) and "Notice of Omitted Items in NP PTO Copy" with a mail date of "11/1/00" and bearing a U.S. Patent and Trademark Office stamp indicating receipt November 6, 2000.

The Applicants respectfully submit that the attached papers indicate timely response to the NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION in this application dated September 1, 2000 and timely receipt by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

If the Examiner has any questions or other correspondence regarding this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the below listed telephone number and address to facilitate prosecution.

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